

TRACK YOUR TRIP

Student Name: _____

ISAT Test Prep Skill: Physical Science

The United States has many interesting places and unique sites to explore. Between the mountains, winding rivers, deep oceans, and open fields, you'll have lots to see when you travel.

Follow the train routes on your classroom map to answer the questions below.

- 1** The Chain of Lakes region is located _____ of Chicago.
 - a) Northeast
 - b) Southwest
 - c) Northwest
 - d) Southeast
- 2** The State House train takes passengers daily to and from Chicago and St. Louis, MO. Which major river does this train cross?
 - a) Salt Fork River
 - b) Mississippi River
 - c) Ohio River
 - d) Hudson River
- 3** Look out the windows as you travel on the train from Chicago to Carbondale. Which of the following will you probably not see?
 - a) corn
 - b) wheat
 - c) cattle
 - d) cactus
- 4** Traveling from Antioch to Carbonale you will pass through three cities that have a population greater than 50,000. Which three cities are they?
 - a) Kankakee, Waukegan, and Centralia
 - b) Waukegan, Chicago, and Effingham
 - c) Rantoul, Mattoon, and Chicago
 - d) Champaign-Urbana, Waukegan, and Chicago
- 5** On the same route described in question 4, what landmark will you pass?
 - a) Cahokia Mounds
 - b) Lovejoy Homestead
 - c) St. Louis Arch
 - d) Himalayan Mountains
- 6** If you were traveling by train from Chicago to New Orleans, LA, approximately how many miles would you travel?
 - a) 200
 - b) 2,000
 - c) 1,000
 - d) 60



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Bonus!

Choose one icon from the map of Illinois to research. Write five interesting facts that you learn and use the scale to calculate how many miles it is from your hometown city. (*Tip: If your city is not on the map, choose the city that is closest to your home and/or your school.*)